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The writer of the following pages employed some leisure time in the autumn of 1836 in tracing the genealogy of the Family whose name he bears. For the facts herein stated he is indebted, among numerous other sources of information, to the well known Genealogical Register of the late John Farmer, to the Church and Town Records of Concord, Mass., to statements furnished him, in answer to his inquiries, by several branches of the Family, and to Lemuel Shattuck Esq. of Boston, a gentleman who has long been interested in investigations like that here undertaken, and whose connexion, by his mother, with the Miles Family, had turned his attention to the present subject of inquiry. The memoranda thus brought together the subscriber now presents to his kindred. To them he trusts that the collection will be an acceptable and interesting offering. It carries us back more than two centuries, to the first person of our name in New England, and gives the names, in an unbroken chain, of nearly two hundred of his direct descendants. For the most part they have occupied the position in society of respectable substantial Farmers. If none of them have been distinguished for talents or elevated station, neither has any one made his name infamous by crime. The diseases of which they have died have been mentioned so far as these have been ascertained. By the marriage of Samuel Miles to Sarah Foster, in 1706, an hereditary insanity was introduced into one branch of the Family, which has continued to this day—a period of *one hundred and thirty-four years*. Excepting this, it will be inferred that the Family has been healthy and exempt from any disease which has been transmitted from father to son. The ages to which they have attained have also been recorded whenever these have

been known. They shew a large number of instances of longevity. It is a remarkable fact, that of the fourteen first male members of the Family, the dates of whose birth and death have been ascertained, the average age is rising seventy-four. In later times the average is not as great. That a large number, however, have attained to advanced life, will not escape observation.

As to the plan upon which the Genealogy has been constructed, but a word need be said. It will be seen that it is divided into GENERATIONS. The figures enclosed in parentheses refer to the same names in the following generation. In a work like this, perfect accuracy is impossible. The subscriber is, however, confident that in the main it is correct. He hopes that those of our kindred into whose hands this pamphlet may come, will carefully preserve it, and record in the blank pages such additional facts as they may be able to supply.

Lowell, 1840.

HENRY A. MILES.

GENEALOGY OF THE MILES FAMILY.

I. GENERATION.

John Miles was one of the earliest settlers in the town of Concord, Mass. He was there as early as 1637, and perhaps before. He was admitted a freeman of Massachusetts colony, Dec. 14, 1638. It is not known in what year he came over to this country, nor from what part of England he emigrated. He was a Blacksmith as well as a Farmer, and had a respectable education. He was one of the largest of the original proprietors of the town of Concord, owning 459 acres of land. He was twice married. His first wife, Sarah, d. July 18, 1678, by whom he had one daughter, Mary, b. Feb. 12, 1640. She married, but left no issue. His second wife was Susannah Rediat, to whom he was united April 10, 1679. She was the widow of John Rediat Jr. of Marlborough, who d. 1676, supposed to have been killed by the Indians. John Miles was far advanced in life when he married widow Rediat, and she was comparatively young. He had by her three children. (1) John, (2) Samuel, (3) Sarah. He d. Aug. 28, 1693. His estate was prized at 600 pounds sterling. He lived on the road from Concord to Groton, about three fourths of a mile west of Concord Meeting-house. His widow married William Wilson, of Billerica, Nov. 10, 1698. For several years after John Miles came to this country he wrote his name Myles. He was probably not far from 80 at the time of his death.

II. GENERATION.

1. John Miles, b. May 20, 1680. Married Mary Prescott of Concord, April 16, 1702. He lived where his Father lived. His children were (1) John, (2) Jonathan, (3) Mary, (4) Elizabeth, (5) James, (6) Benjamin. He d. August 23, 1725, aged 45. His estate was prized at 1708 pounds sterling. His widow m. — Dodd, and d. May, 1777.

2. Samuel Miles, b. Feb. 19, 1682. He m. Sarah Foster, of Littleton, Jan. 28, 1706, whose family had been at times deranged, and by whom an hereditary delirium was introduced into this branch of the Miles family, which

has continued to this day. He was for many years Deacon of the church in Concord, where he lived. He d. Oct. 11, 1758. His children were (7) Samuel, (8) Joseph, (9) Sarah, (10) Ezekiel, (11) Esther, (12) Martha, (13) Nathan, (14) Reuben, (15) Charles.

3. Sarah Miles, b. May 25, 1686, m. Edward Putnam of Salem, May 10, 1705.

III. GENERATION.

1. John Miles, b. Dec. 24, 1704, m. Elizabeth Brooks of Concord, about 1726, and moved to the south part of that town, where he lived, as a farmer. His children were (1) John, (2) Noah, (3) Abel, (4) Elizabeth, (5) Oliver, (6) James, (7) Dorothy, (8) Abner. He d. Feb. 4, 1781, aged 76. His wife d. April 4, 1782, aged 78. She rode horseback three weeks before her death, from Westminster to Concord.

2. Jonathan Miles, b. Feb. 13, 1706. He graduated at Harvard College, 1727. He studied Divinity, but subsequently lived as a private citizen in Concord; occasionally employed in teaching school. He m. Mrs. Catharine Barron, Feb. 23, 1737. His children were (9) Catharine, (10) Molly, (11) Parish, (12) Elizabeth. He d. Feb. 1775, aged 74. His wife died May 9, 1792, aged 77.

3. Mary Miles, b. Oct. 18, 1709, m. Thomas Jones, July 20, 1727, and lived in Concord. They had eight children. She d. Oct. 26, 1782, aged 73, of a fever.

4. Elizabeth Miles, b. Nov. 16, 1714, d. Jan. 2, 1716.

5. James Miles, b. August 1, 1719, m. Hannah Ball, of Concord, August 24, 1743. He lived in Concord. His children were (13) Hannah, (14) James, (15) Lucy, (16) James. He d. July 27, 1800, aged 81.

6. Benjamin Miles, b. Nov. 26, 1724, m. Mary Hubbard, of Concord, May 16, 1751. He moved to Rutland, Mass. His children were (17) Benjamin, (18) John, (19) Ebenezer, (20) Barzillai.

7. Samuel Miles, b. March 20, 1707. He settled in Shrewsbury, where he was Deacon of the church. He had children, (21) Jonas, (22) Alfred. He lived to be over 80.

8. Joseph Miles, b. August 8, 1709. He also settled in Shrewsbury, and lived to be old.

9. Sarah Miles, b. Sept. 1, 1711.

10. Ezekiel Miles, b. Dec. 26, 1713, m. Feb. 12, 1741, Joanna Wesson, and lived in Concord. He had a son (23) Ezekiel. He d. Jan. 15, 1783, aged 70. His wife d. Jan. 8, 1799, aged 78.

11. Esther Miles, b. Sept. 10, 1716.

12. Martha Miles, b. March 18, 1719, m. Benjamin Fay, of Westborough, Dec. 28, 1729.

13. Nathan Miles, b. Jan. 14, 1721. He lived in Hubbardston, to advanced life.

14. Reuben Miles, b. Dec. 12, 1723. He lived in Westminster. His children were (24) Nathan, (25) Reuben, (26) Jonas, (27) Asa, and daughters, (28.) He d. Feb. 20, 1780, aged 57.

15. Charles Miles, b. June 28, 1727, m. Zeruiah How of Concord, by whom he had (29) Charles. She died July 12, 1757. He m. Ruth Barrett, May 3, 1759, by whom he had (30) Samuel, (31) Ruth, (32) Nathan, (33) Zeruiah, (34) Mary. She d. Oct. 15, 1813, aged 79. He was a Captain in the revolutionary war; having command of a company of 94 minute men. He was with his company at the Concord fight, April 19, 1775, to which he used to say, he "went with the same seriousness as if he was going to the house of God." He followed the enemy in their retreat to Lexington, with great bravery, and received a wound in his hand. He afterwards commanded a company to Ticonderoga. He d. Nov. 2, 1790, aged 63, of hereditary insanity.

IV. GENERATION.

1. John Miles, b. Feb. 20, 1727. In 1754, he removed to Westminster. He married widow Warren, whose maiden name was Martha Russell, daughter of Deacon Russell, of Littleton. His children were (1) John, (2) Levi, (3) Martha, (4) Abigail, (5) John, (6) Isaac, (7) Thomas. He was a surveyor, and surveyed and laid out into lots the town of Princeton, including the mountain. He was an industrious and hard working man, and reclaimed a large farm in Westminster, from the forest. He was commander of a company of soldiers, and on hearing of the fight of April 19, 1775, he started with his men for Concord. He afterwards served under Gen. Washington, at Dorchester, when the British were in possession of Boston. He d. April 30, 1808, aged 81. His wife d. Nov. 26, 1808, aged 83, of a cancer.

2. Noah Miles, b. April 29, 1730, m. Hulda Hosmer, of Concord. In 1752, he removed to Westminster. His children were (8) Noah, (9) Stephen, (10) Joel, (11) Ephraim, (12) Oliver, (13) Asel, (14) Hulda. He d. Oct. 21, 1811, aged 81. His wife d. March 10, 1809, aged 80.

3. Abel Miles, b. Nov. 9, 1733, m. Lydia Adams, of Lincoln, Feb. 26, 1756. He lived near the Nine Acre Corner, in Concord, where his children were born. Their names were (15) Lydia, (16) Elizabeth, (17) Molly, (18)

Rebeca, (19) Abel. He then removed to New Ipswich, N. H. His wife d. March 20, 1804, aged 68. He m. Lydia Lawrence, of Ashby. He d. Dec. 6, 1814, aged 81.

4. Elizabeth Miles, b. March 1, 1736, m. Deacon Obadiah Kendall, of Woburn, and lived to be over 80.

5. Oliver Miles, b. Sep. 11, 1738, m. Martha Stone, of Framingham, and lived in Concord. His children were (20) Joseph, (21) Oliver, (22) John, (23) Martha, (24) Lydia. He was in the battle at Fort William Henry, and was taken by the Indians, from whom he made his escape. He afterwards served in the war of the revolution, in New Jersey. He d. Nov. 23, 1828, aged 90. His wife d. Feb. 14, 1813, aged 73.

6. James Miles, b. Nov. 7, 1740, m. — Garfield, of Groton. Died in Winchendon.

7. Dorothy Miles, b. March 12, 1743, m. Samuel Gardiner, of Woburn, August 29, 1769, and ~~lived to be aged.~~ *died 11 Feb 1787.*

8. Abner Miles, removed to Westminster about 1765. He m. Margaret Trowbridge, of Newton, by whom he had (25) Jemima, (26) Trowbridge, (27) Elizabeth, (28) Mehitable.

9. Catharine Miles, baptized Jan. 25, 1741.

10. Molly, bap. June 12, 1743.

11. Parish, bap. May 8, 1757, removed to Jeffrey, N. H.

12. Elizabeth, bap. July 16, 1758.

13. Hannah Miles, b. June 27, 1744, m. Edward Selfridge of Hubbardston.

14. James Miles, b. May 14, 1753, d. April 19, 1759.

15. Lucy Miles, b. April 26, 1757, m. Capt. Charles Miles, Nov. 8, 1786.

16. James Miles, b. Sept. 16, 1761, m. Lydia Spring, who died April 5, 1800, aged 43, m. Abigail Merriam, by whom he had children, William, b. 1795, d. 1798, Lydia, b. 1793, John, b. 1797.

17. Benjamin Miles, m. — Buckminster, of Rutland, removed to Marietta, Ohio, where he died.

18. John Miles, removed to Athens, Ohio, where he had children, one a planter in Arkansas, Benjamin L. Miles.

19. Ebenezer Miles lived and died in Rutland, leaving children.

20. Barzillai lives in Rutland.

21. Jonas Miles lives in Shrewsbury, and has children, one of whom, Jonas, is Deacon of the church.

22. Alfred Miles lives in Shrewsbury.

23. Ezekiel Miles, b. Feb. 9, 1745, m. Lucy Wood, April 22, 1779, who d. June 9, 1782, m. Mary Wesson, who d. Nov 4, 1829. He d. Feb. 2, 1826, aged 80. His children were Sarah, b. Dec. 31, 1771, Reuben, b. August 4, 1779, d. Sept. 1837.

24. Nathan Miles, b. June 24, 1755, m. Susannah Brown. After living several years in Westminster, he moved to Auburn, N. Y. He had Susannah, b. August 9, 1778, m. — Holland, of Auburn, Sally, b. August 26, 1781, m. — Muzzy of Auburn, Reuben, b. June 30, 1784, Nathan, b. 1787.

25. Reuben Miles, b. Nov. 12, 1756, d. in the army, at Watertown, in 1775.

26. Jonas Miles, b. July 11, 1760, m. Rachel Bancroft, Dec. 28, 1796. He lived in Westminster. His children were Anna, b. Nov. 7, 1797, d. 1800, George, b. 1800, Anna Eliza, b. 1801, Jonas, b. 1804, Mary, b. 1806, Edmond, b. 1808, d. 1810, Amanda, b. 1811.

27. Asa Miles, b. July 11, 1760, graduated at Dartmouth College, 1787, was a physician in Westminster, where he d. in 1804. He m. Betsey C. Rice, in 1795, and had (29) Clough Rice.

28. One daughter, Ann, m. Thomas Knowers; another, Sally, m. Deacon James White of Westminster; another, Lucy, m. Capt. Andrew Whitney of Princeton.

29. Charles Miles, b. June 30, 1757, m. Lucy Miles, Nov. 8, 1786, had one son, Charles, and d. Sept. 1827, aged 70.

30. Samuel Miles, b. May 15, 1760.

31. Ruth Miles, b. June 28, 1762.

32. Nathan Miles, b. April 8, 1765, died in Hope, Me.

33. Zeruah Miles, b. Sept. 7, 1767.

34. Mary Miles, b. Feb. 1, 1772, d. Oct. 22, 1825, aged 44.

V. GENERATION.

1. John Miles, b. June 18, 1754, d. July 7, 1764.

2. Levi Miles, b. Nov. 18, 1756, was in the fight at Bennington, Vt. and received a wound on his chest from which he never recovered, d. in 1780.

3. Martha or Patty, b. June 25, 1759, m. John Dexter of Leominster, d. May 6, 1836 of "black jaundice," aged 76.

4. Abigail or Nabby, b. July 4, 1763, m. Asa Brooks of Concord, d. 1795 of consumption.

5. John Miles, b. Nov. 3, 1765, graduated at Brown University 1794, ordained Minister of Grafton, Oct. 12, 1796, m. Mary Denny of Leicester, May 1, 1798. She was b. August 21, 1773. His children were (1) Mary Denny, (2) John Russell, (3) Samuel Denny, (4) Samuel Dexter, (5) Martha Elizabeth, (6) Henry Adolphus, (7) Sarah Henshaw, (8) Charles Edward, (9) Elizabeth Denny, (10) Augusta Sophia. He removed to Shrewsbury in 1826.

6. Isaac Miles, b. June 23, 1768, m. — Tuttle of Littleton. His children were (11) Nathan, (12) Susan, (13) Louisa, (14) Isaac, (15) Augustus, (16) John Hannibal, (17) Theodore, (18) Theophilus, (19) Levi. He d. in Stow, in 1826 aged 58.

7. Thomas Miles, b. August 19, 1772, m. Ruth Brooks of Concord, March 11, 1794. His children were (20) Nabby, (21) Ruth, (22) Pamela, (23) Levi, (24) John Dexter, (25) Sophronia E. (26) Catharine. He lives in Lancaster.

8. Noah Miles, b. Dec. 22, 1751, graduated at Dartmouth College, 1780, was a settled minister in Temple, N. H. His wife was — Pearson of Newburyport. His children were (27) Solomon Pearson, (28) Jane Noyes, (29) Samuel Searle, (30) Noah Brooks, (31) Elizabeth Dickenson, (32) John Murray, (33) Hulda, (34) Benjamin Jones Crombie. He d. 1831, aged 79.

9. Stephen Miles, b. Sept. 26, 1754, m. Sarah Hoar of Westminster. He lived in Westminster, was deacon of the Church, d. 1814.

10. Joel Miles, b. Nov. 29, 1756, m. Mary Estabrooks in 1780, settled in Fitzwilliam, N. H.

11. Ephraim Miles, b. Dec. 6, 1759, m. Deborah Rugg of Princeton in 1781, settled in Royalton, Vt.

12. Oliver Miles, b. August 28, 1762, removed to Vermont.

13. Asel Miles, b. in 1763, m. Mary Tenny of Temple, N. H. settled in Weston, Vt.

14. Hulda Miles, b. 1767, m. Samuel Brooks, 1790, d. 1794.

15. Lydia Miles, was baptized Feb. 20, 1757, m. David Rummell, Feb. 25, 1800.

16. Elizabeth Miles, b. Dec. 4, 1758, m. John Shattuck.

17. Molly Miles, b. July 8, 1760, d. Nov. 14, 1804.

18. Rebecka Miles, b. Jan. 3, 1762, m. Levi Mansfield, Jan. 21, 1781.

19. Abel Miles, b. Oct. 17, 1768, m. Betsey Shipley, Nov. 11, 1794.

20. Joseph Miles, b. July 22, 1770, m. Hannah Brown of Lincoln. His children were Joseph, Isaac, Purchase, Timothy, Martha, Nathan, Hannah Lee, Cyrus, Darius, Mary Augusta. He d. June 12, 1838, aged 67, of "jaundice."

21. Oliver Miles, b. Sept. 27, 1772.

22. John Miles, b. Feb. 7, 1775, settled in Gardiner.

23. Martha Miles, b. Feb. 1, 1778, m. Stephen Holden, lives in Connecticut.

24. Lydia Miles, b. July 5, 1780, m. Andrew Conant of Concord.

25. Jemima Miles, b. Sept. 29, 1770, m. — Brown of Watertown.

26. Trowbridge Miles, b. Sept. 21, 1777.

27. Elizabeth Miles, b. August 11, 1775, m. Eleazer Drury in 1800.

28. Mehitable Miles, b. March 28, 1773, d. 1837.

29. Clough Rice Miles, graduated at Harvard College in 1817, m. Abba Willard of Shirley, lives in Athol.

VI. GENERATION.

1. Mary Denny Miles, b. June 25, 1799, m. Rev. Seth Alden, then of Marlborough, June 4, 1822, had children, John Carver, b. July 29, 1823, William Bradford, b. May 17, 1825, d. Sept. 1825. She d. July 31, 1825, of consumption.

2. John Russell Miles, b. Sept. 23, 1801, d. Dec. 17, 1819 of typhus fever.

3. Samuel Denny Miles, b. Sept. 5, 1803, d. Jan. 18, 1804 of lung fever.

4. Samuel Dexter Miles, b. June 19, 1805, d. Nov. 27, 1805 of throat distemper.

5. Martha Elizabeth Miles, b. Feb. 17, 1808, d. March 16, 1808 of St. Anthony's fire.

6. Henry Adolphus Miles, b. May 30, 1809, graduated at Brown University 1829, ordained at Hallowell, Me. Dec. 19, 1832, m. Augusta Holyoke Moore of Cambridge, May 28, 1833. She was b. Nov. 2, 1811. He was installed at Lowell, Mass. Dec. 14, 1836. His children are (1) Henry Townsend, (2) Charles Russell, (3) Francis Denny.

7. Sarah Henshaw Miles, b. April 27, 1811, m. John C. Mason of Worcester, June 11, 1833. Her children were Henry Ware, b. March 2, 1835, George Denny, b. August 31, 1837, d. Jan. 1838, Albert, d. Dec. 1839.

8. Charles Edward Miles, b. June 11, 1813, m. Catharine Denny of Leicester, May 1, 1833. He lives in Shrewsbury. His children are (4) Mary Elizabeth, (5) Catharine Augusta, (6) Charles Denny.

9. Elizabeth Denny Miles, b. April 30, 1815.

10. Augusta Sophia Miles, b. Feb. 12, 1819.

11. Nathan.

12. Susan.

13. Louisa, m. Seth Wellington of Boston.

14. Isaac.

15. Augustus.

16. John Hannibal.

17. Theodore.

18. Theophilus.

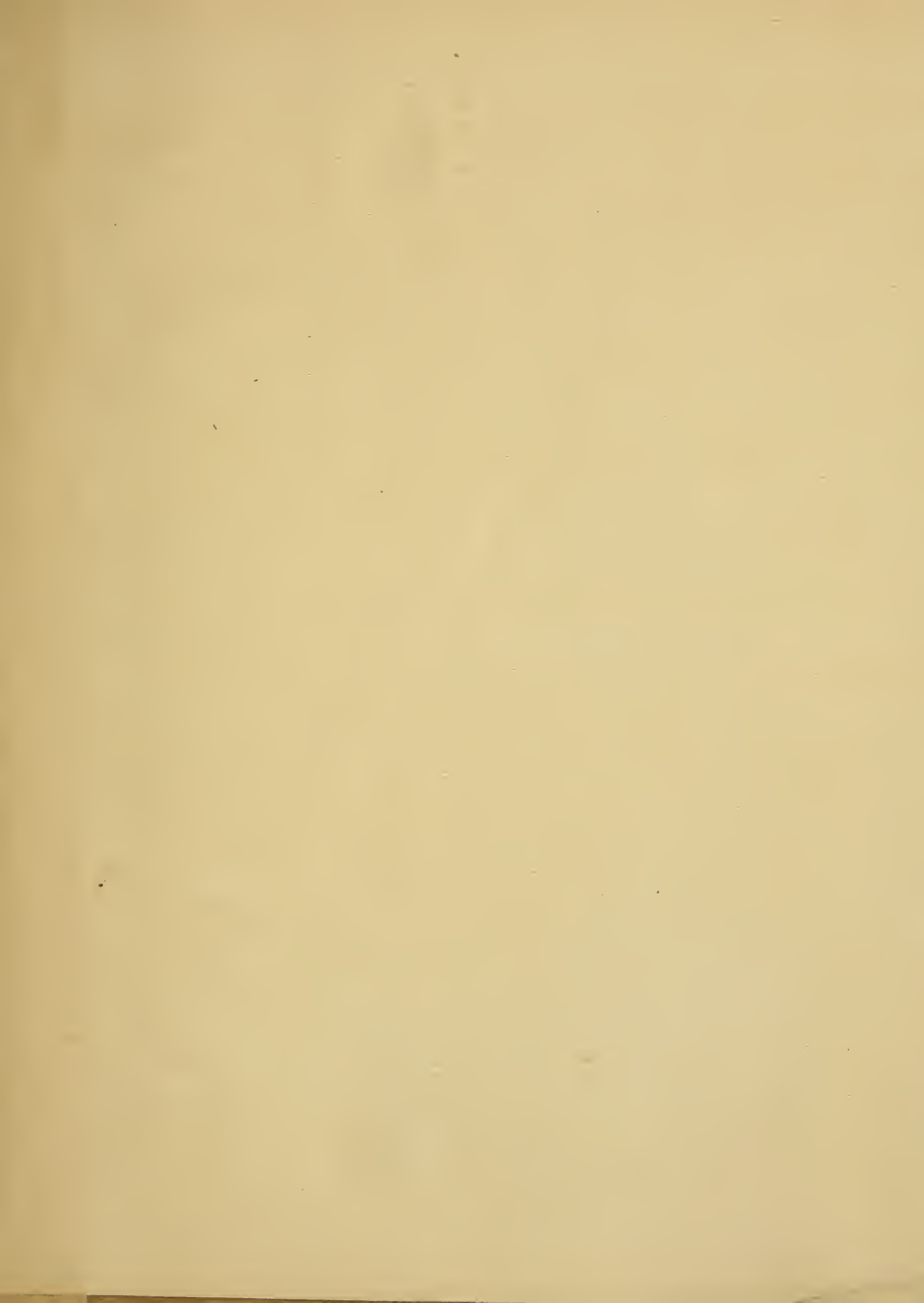
19. Levi.

20. Nabby, b. Jan. 23, 1796, m. Abel Carpenter of Leyden, Mass. d. July 13, 1822.

21. Ruth, b. Jan. 23, 1798.
22. Pamela, b. May 11, 1800, m. Daniel Stowell of Northampton, Nov. 1831.
23. Levi, b. April 5, 1802, m. Mary Ann Hayward of Concord. His children are George Henry, William Thomas, Mary Catharine.
24. John Dexter, b. Jan. 14, 1806.
25. Sophronia, b. March 12, 1808.
26. Catharine, b. Nov. 13, 1800, d. Jan. 24, 1832, of consumption.
27. Solomon Pearson, graduated at Harvard College, in 1819, m. — Appleton, and lives in Boston.
28. Jane Noyes.
29. Samuel Searle, d. Feb. 1833, aged 36.
30. Noah Brooks, m. lives in Albany.
31. Elizabeth Dickenson, m. — Davis, lives in Williamston, N. Y.
32. John Murray, a Physician, lives in Littleton, m. — Taylor. His children are Henry Augustine, Louisa Maria, Annette Elizabeth, Augusta Malvina.
33. Hulda, m. — Clapp, lives in New York.
34. Benjamin Jones Crombie.

VII. GENERATION.

1. Henry Townsend Miles, b. July 30, 1834.
2. Charles Russell Miles, b. August 13, 1836.
3. Francis Denny Miles, b. June 28, 1838, d. Nov. 6, 1839.
4. Mary Elizabeth Miles, b. Jan. 23, 1834.
5. Catharine Augusta Miles, b. Nov. 15, 1836.
6. Charles Denny Miles.



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